



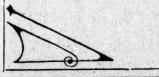
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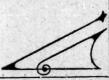
OF THE

LIBERAL CONSERVATIVE

Workingmen's Association

OF OTTAWA.





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Objects of the Association.

The following shall be the objects for which the Association is formed to promote:—

1st. The discussion of all matters of public or political interest, especially those affecting the interests of labor.

2nd. The giving to each individual member the whole influence of the Associated Body, if found worthy.

3rd. The consolidating of an inseparably united vote to be cast as shall be decided by the majority of members at Lodge meetings or Conventions of the Association called for that purpose.

4th. The maintenance of British connection.

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5th. The promotion and encouragement of Canadian Home Industries and Productions.

6th. The dissemination amongst the members of a thorough knowledge of the political questions of the day.

7th. The appointment of local unionists to local offices and local patronage.

Constitution and Rules.

- 1. This Association or Union shall, consist of any number of minor lodges of persons, in affiliation with our constitution, in the electoral divisions of this city.
- 2. All persons joining this Union or Association shall bind themselves to vote with the majority of their Lodge in all elections of a political character.

- 3. This Lodge shall have entire management of its own affairs, and shall not be governed or controlled by any other Lodge or Association.
- 4. Proposals for membership in this Lodge or Association must be made in writing and be presented by a member, and be submitted by the Association to the Executive Committee for report.
- 5. Members of this Lodge shall be elected by ballot if so demanded by the Association, when five black balls shall disqualify, and shall make affirmation; and no person that is not an obligated member shall be admitted to any regular business meeting of this Lodge or Association.
- 6. Any person or persons, other than members of this Association desirous of addressing the Association, or who may assent to address the Association at the request of any of its proper officers, notice to that effect must be given at a previous regular meeting of the Executive,

or Association, and a resolution shall be regularly adopted by either of the above Executive bodies, authorizing the calling of the members to a special meeting for such purpose.

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7. The Management or Executive Committee shall consist of the President, 1st and 2nd Vice - Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and Tyler; and four members from the Association, after the preceding officers shall have been elected.

The whole shall be elected by ballot.

- 8. All officers of this Association will be elected annually at the first regular meeting in January, and should a vacancy occur from any cause, such vacancy shall be filled by election thereto from the remaining members of the Association, the members to be notified of such vacancy and to attend meeting for such election.
- 9. This Association being known and entitled "The Liberal Conservative Work;

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ingmen's Association," no representative of the people, either Parliamentary or municipal, shall be eligible for membership; all applicants for membership must be over 18 years of age, and shall not be excluded for having held opposite politics previously.

- 10. Retiring officers are eligible for re-
- 11. A correct record of the minutes of the Association and Executive meeting's shall be kept by the Secretary, who shall have charge of all correspondence and papers, belonging to, or authorized on behalf of the Association, and he shall present an annual report of the affairs of the Association to the Association on the termination of his year of office.
- 12. The Treasurer shall keep a correct account of all monies received by him from the Secretary, and shall pay no money without an order for the same being signed by the President, or acting President, the Secretary, or acting Secretary—and shall furnish when called upon by the

Committee a statement of the financial affairs of the Association, and he shall furnish an annual report to the Association of its financial affairs on the expiration of his year of office.

- 13. The duties of the Executive shall be to discuss and carry out all business matters of the Association and do all in their power to further and advance the interests of the Association, by inaugurating lectures, debates, essays, readings, &c., &c., &c., &c., and to carry out to the extent of their power the objects of the Association.
- 14. The expenses of the Association will be supported by voluntary contributions, and a box will be provided for that purpose.
- 15. A motion to suspend the order of proceedings for the time being, may at any time be carried by a two-thirds vote. But no part of "these rules" shall be altered, or amended, unless by a two-thirds vote, at a special meeting convened for that purpose.

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Rules of Order; or, Order of Proceedings.

- 1. As soon as the Presiding Officer has taken the chair, the officers and members present shall take their respective places, and the Lodge shall then be opened in due form. The Lodge shall be opened at 8 p.m. and closed at 10 p.m. The order of proceedure shall be as follows:—
- a. Tyler, are you satisfied all present are members of this Association.
 - b. Calling roll of officers.
 - c. Reading minutes of previous session.
 - d. Reports of Committee on Candidates.
- e. Balloting for if so demanded, and initiation of Candidates.
 - f. Reading of correspondence.
- g. Unfinished, new, and general business.
 - h. Proposals for membership.

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- j. Discussing of same, if any.
 - k. Closing the Lodge.
- 2. Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, on a request to that effect by the Secretary, the Presiding Officer, or the Lodge.
- 3. No question shall be put from the chair, unless regularly moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until so put; and when put, no other motion shall be receivable unless it be a motion:—

To adjourn;
To extend the time;
To lay on the table;
To put the previous question;
To postpone;
To refer, or
To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first four thereof shall be decided without debate.

4. The previous question shall be put from the chair only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the members, and then shall always be put in the following words:—"Shall the question be now put?" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending immediately before such call for the previous question shall have been so made.

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- 5. Any two members having voted on the majority, may at the same or next regular meeting move for a re-consideration thereof; but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.
- 6. Every member shall have the privilege of speaking for ten minutes on any subject, and be allowed five minutes

for a reply, if necessary, and not oftener, except by permission of the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer shall have the same privilege as any other member of discussing any subject, but before doing so shall call upon any officer present to occupy the chair while he is speaking. The leaders of the debate or mover of a motion shall have the privilege of closing the debate, but shall not be allowed more than ten minutes in so doing.

- 7. The Presiding Officer or any member may call a brother to order while speaking, and in such case the debate shall be forthwith suspended, and the brother so called to order shall not proceed until the point of order thus raised shall have been decided, nor speak upon such point of order unless it be to make necessary explanation or appeal from the decision of the chair.
- 8. In all cases wherever a member may appeal from the decision of the chair, he shall use the following words, and none other, unless it be for necessary explanation:—"Mr. President, I respectfully ap-

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peal from the decision of the chair to the Lodge;" and the Lodge shall, after such explanation from the Presiding Officer as he may deem necessary, proceed forthwith to consider the vote upon the question:—" "Will the Lodge sustain the decision of the chair."

- 9. The Presiding Officer or the Lodge may at any time require all members present to vote upon any question, or may excuse any member or members from so doing; and all votes upon motions (except for the election of officers, which shall be by ballot), must be taken by yeas and nays, except otherwise ordered by the Presiding Officer.
- 10. The regular meetings of this Association shall be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in each month.

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